

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:  
MURAYAMA, Yuichi, et al.  
Serial No: 09/890,799  
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For: Thermo-Reversible Polymer for  
Intraluminal Implant

Art Unit: 1615  
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**Supplemental Response and Renewed Request to Reinstate Notice of Allowance**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

On 17 December 2007 a Decision issued granting a petition under 37 CFR 1.181 to accept the Declaration filed on 26 September 2007 as having been received on 30 January 2002 was granted. However, the Petition found that the original declarations were not sufficient because they contained non-initialed alterations. Therefore, the paper of 17 December 2007 contained a requirement to submit a proper declaration within two months.

A new declaration was procured from the inventors and filed on 19 February 2008. This date was within the required two months because the two month date fell on Sunday February 17, 2008 and Monday February 18, 2008 was a Federal Holiday. The requirements of the paper of 17 December 2007 having been met Applicant respectfully requests that the Notice of Allowance that was vacated in a Decision dated 12 September 2007.

If for any reason the PCT Legal Division requires additional information, please call the undersigned attorney at the Los Angeles telephone number (310) 229-9928. You are hereby authorized to charge any fees due and refund any surplus fees to our Deposit Account No. 22-0261. Please reference matter number 58056-244181.

Respectfully submitted,

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